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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DATA COMPRESSION IN MEMORY
DEVICES

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field"
as follows:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

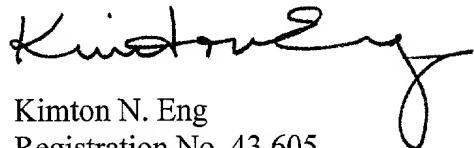
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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2-55.

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